



FRANCIS G. POWERS
...Resigns from CIA

Francis Powers Quits CIA Post

Former U2 pilot Francis Gary Powers has resigned from the Central Intelligence Agency, it was learned Friday.

One source said he left the agency because "his work was finished."

Powers quit the CIA on Oct. 6, coincidentally just eight days short of another U2 flight that subsequently made history, the Oct. 14 overflight of Cuba which produced the first hard evidence of Soviet missile bases there.

The 33-year-old flier, a resident of Hunting Towers in Alexandria, had been working with CIA headquarters here ever since his return from a Soviet prison last winter.

Powers' home town is Pound, Va. Last August he filed a suit for divorce from his wife, Barbara, a resident of Milledgeville,

POWERS WAS a CIA employee when he made his ill-fated surveillance mission over the Soviet Union May 1, 1960. His return when the U2 was downed led to the collapse of the summit conference in Paris that month.

Last February, Powers was set free from a 10-year Soviet prison sentence in exchange for Russian master spy Rudolph Abel.